Scheduled Trips for DTC

924. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total number of scheduled trips of DTC routes during 1987 and 1988, year-wise and the total number of trips missed by DTC during the same period, year-wise;

(b) what was the number of scheduled trips on the DTC routes available from Vasant Vihar in the months of May, June and July, 1987, January, February, July, August, November and December, 1988 and January, Febfuary, March, 1989, route-wise and month-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that on some of these routes the number of scheduled trips was curtailed during the above period, if so, the details of such routes alongwith the extent of curtailment and the reasons therefor;

(d) what is the total number of trips missed on these routes during 1987, 1988 year-wise and so far in 1989; and

(e) what steps are being taken to strengthen and improve the services from Vasant Vihar in view of considerable increase in the number of commuters in the recent past?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Details are as under:

(in lakhs)

Year	Total No. of scheduled trips	Total number of trips missed
1987- . . .	5.02	0.69
1988 . . .	4.09	0.65

(b) Details are annexed. (*See* Appendix CL, Annexure No. 46].

(c) to (e) The curtailment of trips is necessitated on account of traffic blockade due to jamming, rallies, demonstration, accidents, etc. DTC has informed that trip-wise record of such curtailment is not maintained.

The details of trips missed on routes from Vasant Vihar are as under:

Year	No, of trips missed
1987	14,624
1988	7,198
1989 (upto March) . .	879

In order to improve services and reduce missing of trips, the steps taken by DTC include improved maintenance to reduce breakdowns, replacement of overaged buses and route-rationalisation.

Recommendations of National Transportation Safety Board

925. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the major recommendations of the National Transportation Safety Board and whether these have been communicated to the State Governments;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Board has suggested that smooth flow of pedestrian traffic could improve the safety on roads, if so, whether the Board has availed ways to solve the issue of pavement dwellers and footpath vendors settled in the big cities; and

(c) whether the Supreme Court has finally disposed off this issue in favour of local bodies to vacate the encroachment on footpaths, and whether the Board is aware of such constraints?